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SUBJECT: RELOCATION OF OAU HEADQUARTERS

REF: LIBREVILLE 1734

1. VOA CORRESPONDENT JOHN ROBERTS HAS FILED STORY FROM LIBREVILLE ABOUT CONCERN OF OAU OFFICIALS OVER THEIR SAFETY AND SAFETY THEIR FAMILIES IN ADDIS. ROBERTS UNSURE IF VOA WILL USE STORY, WHICH BASED ON INTERVIEWS WITH ASSTSEC GEN PETER ONU AND OTHER OAU OFFICIALS. ONU APPARENTLY TOLD ROBERTS THAT OAU WOULD DEPART ADDIS WHEN SECRETARIAT COULD NO LONGER PERFORM ITS JOB AND THAT CONDITIONS IN ADDIS WERE APPROACHING THAT POINT. ONU SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED FOOD SHORTAGES, GAS RATIONING, AND OVERALL GRIM CONDITIONS IN ADDIS.

2. ONU'S STATEMENT PARALLELS POLICY LINE ARTICULATED BY SEC GEN ETEKI DURING SUMMIT PRESS CONFERENCE (LIBREVILLE 1734), WHEN ETEKI SAID HE WOULD POSE QUESTION OF MOVING SECRETARIAT IF AND WHEN IT COULD NO LONGER PERFORM ITS JOB IN ADDIS. AT THAT TIME, HOWEVER, ETEKI DUCKED ALL QUESTIONS ABOUT CONDITIONS IN ADDIS. STEIGMAN

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